

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO STANDARD PRACTICE

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DEPARTMENT

MENTAL HEALTH

SUBJECT

MEDICATION APPOINTMENT-SCHEDULING

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NO 13-1.15

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I. POLICY:

All medication support clients will be seen in a medication clinic.

II. PROCEDURE:

- 1. All clinics will establish medication clinics for clients to allow the Department to use psychiatrists' time efficiently.
- 2. All <u>follow-up</u> medication appointments will be made for the beginning of each hour e.g., 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m., etc.. Three adult clients will be scheduled at the beginning of each hour. Two minor clients will be scheduled at the beginning of each hour.
- 3. The primary service provider for clients who have a problem with no-shows will discuss with them the importance of taking medication on a regular basis and the Department's no show policy (see SOP No.9-1.40).
- 4. Adult psychiatrists are expected to see three patients per hour for follow up medications support services. Child psychiatrists are expected to see two patients per hour for follow-up medication support services. (See SOP No. 3-3.13 for more detailed information.)

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